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8 May 1989

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In Reply To: 3HW14

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your four page letter of 20 APR 89 regarding Artel Chemical Corp. in Nitro, West VA. Most appreciated.

Reade Advanced Materials is a "fictitious business name" for the Nevada corporation of "Reade International Corp.". We do not manufacture anything and do not place our name on the drums, certificates of analysis and material safety data sheets (MSDS) that are attached to all shipments. We are a non-stocking distributor and in some cases a sales agent.

Our business activity commenced with Artel Chemicals Corp. on 22 AUG 86 when they were called Fike Chemicals Inc. From the date of 22 AUG 86 to the end of our orders from Artel Chemical on 19 AUG 87 we received four orders for magnesium metal ingot and granules (CAS # 7439-95-4). We are attaching copies of each order for your review. This is the total extent of our business with Artel.

The magnesium metal that we sold to Artel was used as a reagent in a chemical reaction called a "Grignard Reaction". Magnesium serves as an intermediate in the manufacture of a solution material like methyl magnesium chloride. The magnesium metal is completely consumed in the chemical reaction-- going from a solid metal into a liquid phase. During the two year period that we shipped the magnesium metal ingot and granules to Artel we shipped approximately 6,250 lbs. packaged in 30 gallon steel drums. The product was manufactured and shipped to Artel from Hart Metals Inc. in Tamaqua, PA. Their telephone number is (717) 668-0001. A key contact there is the owner, Mr. Bob Hart.

Cordially,

C. F. Reade, Jr.
President

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Attachments

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